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in the many and tenderly-worded letters which he writes to his wife and newly-born child. This is a touch of the human—and sublime. As a whole, the work, while not critical; furnishes patriotic reading and wholesome literature for the American fireside.

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The True Lafayette, by George Morgan, Philadelphia and London: The J. B. Lippincott Company, 1919. Pp. 489.

To attempt a critical biography of the multitudinous activities and constantly shifting background of "the Man of Two Worlds" within the covers of a single volume is indeed a serious undertaking. Yet Mr. Morgan has accomplished it—and successfully so, we believe—within the compass of his closely printed and generously illustrated addition to the Lippincott Company's "true" biographies. The work is a storehouse of facts and frequent references, though the thread of the story does not suffer any more than the recital of the diversified career of such a man of action must needs be. The life itself was a veritable kaleidoscope of swiftly moving events—now on land, and now on sea; now in the uniform of an American rebel or foreign soil, now a defender of Marie Antoinette in the colors of his native land; now a languisher in dungeon depths, now again the jubilantly fêted guest of the nation.

The author has covered all this ground, at least in a manner sufficient to satisfy the popular taste, while leaving the reader ample time in which to moralize and draw his conclusions from the lessons of the past.

He has collected a wealth of material on this impetuous lover of liberty without theorizing upon the many phases of his character. Even the questionable conduct of his hero in deserting his army at the Belgium frontier, rather than meet his newly-born enemies at Paris, is faithfully told with true historical accuracy.

The book has, incidentally, done the American people a lasting favor in making certain, and fixing for all time the exact words used by General Pershing as he stood over the grave of the former companion and personal friend of Washington, in

the Picpus Cemetery at Paris. These words are: "Lafayette, we are here." Mr. Morgan's efforts, then, have given to the English speaking world a carefully written and eminently inspiring biography of this citizen of two civilizations—M. de la Fayette.

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Mélange de Patrologie et d'histoire des dogmes, by J. Tixeront, Dean of the Faculty of Theology at the Catholic University of Lyons; 1 vol., 12°; 279 pages. Price 7 Frs., edit. by J. Gabalda, 90 Rue Bonaparte, Paris.

As the title indicates, this work deals with a number of miscellaneous subjects relating to Patrology and the History of Dogmas. The author has assembled in a neat book form several conferences delivered before the Faculty of his University as well as a few articles which appeared from time to time in various reviews. The present volume might well serve as a supplementary reference book to the *Manuel de Patrologie* published by the same author in 1918 and translated into English (Handbook of Patrology; B. Herder, St. Louis).

Dr. Tixeront's labors in the field of Patrology are too well known to need comment. His *L'histoire des dogmes* is an authoritative work which is standing the test of time. The articles and conferences contained in the present volume are all the outcome of twenty years' exclusive study in Patrology and the history of dogmas and they bear the touch of a master hand. The topics treated are: St. Iguentius of Antioch; The "Shepherd" of Hermas; the Letter of the Church of Lyons and Vienne on the martyrs of the year 177; Athanagoras' "Apologia;" the "Pedagogus" of Clement of Alexandria; Tertullian as a moralist; St. Cyprian; the concepts of nature and personality in the Fathers and other writers of the fifth and sixth centuries; Philoxenus of Mabbug's Letter to Abou-Niphir; the penitential doctrine of St. Gregory the Great; and the sacrificial rite of the "Matal."

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